Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A bearing arrangement comprising:

two bearing assemblies both located on the same axis;

each bearing assembly comprising two parts including a female part having a recess or aperture and a male part acceptable into the recess or aperture in sliding contact during their relative rotation;

at each assembly the sliding contact taking place in a respective plane at a plurality of discrete locations on the male or female parts;

wherein~~characterised in that~~ one of the assemblies allows resilient displacement of its contact plane and the other of the assemblies is relatively rigid for preventing substantial displacement of its contact plane.

2. (Original) A bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 1 wherein the displacement of the contact plane is allowed to take place only in a direction substantially parallel to the axis.

3. (Currently Amended) A bearing arrangement comprising:

two bearing assemblies both located on the same axis;

each bearing assembly comprising two parts including a female part having a recess or aperture and a male part acceptable into the recess or aperture in sliding contact during their relative rotation;

at each assembly the sliding contact taking place in a respective plane at a plurality of discrete locations on the male or female parts;

wherein~~characterised in that~~ at least one of the assemblies allows resilient displacement of its contact plane in a direction parallel to the axis.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) A bearing arrangement as claimed in ~~claim 6~~claim 1 wherein the discrete locations are provided by a non-circular recess or aperture ~~(e.g. triangular or trihedral)~~ in the female part co-operating with a circular ~~(for example spheroidal or conical)~~ male part, or are provided by a circular ~~(e.g. conical or straight-sided)~~ recess or aperture in the female part co-operating with a non-circular ~~(e.g. trihedral)~~ male part.

8. (Previously Presented) A bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least one of the two parts is formed of a plastics material.

9. (Original) A bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 8 wherein the plastics material is formed as an insert within an outer collar.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously Presented) A bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 1 wherein the resilient displacement of the plane is provided by a resiliently movable female part.

12. (Original) A bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 11 wherein the female part includes a planar spring support.

13. (Previously Presented) A measurement probe support having a pivot including a bearing arrangement according to claim 1.

14. (Currently Amended) A support for a measurement probe comprising an articulatable wrist providing two axes of rotation for the probe, at a first axis there being provided a first bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 1, the first bearing arrangement being connected to a spindle having an extension extending beyond the first bearing arrangement in the direction of the first axis.

15. (Currently Amended) A support for a measurement probe as claimed in claim 14 wherein the extension is connected to a ~~further~~second bearing arrangement providing a second axis of rotation for the probe, transverse to the first axis.

16. (Original) A support for a measurement probe as claimed in claim 15 wherein power and signal paths are provided and at least one of the paths crosses a rotary coupling disposed about the first axis.

17. (Currently Amended) A support for a measurement probe as claimed in claim 14 wherein the ~~said~~first bearing arrangement comprises a ball in a recess and the extension extends beyond the ball.

18. (New) A bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 7 wherein the non-circular recess or aperture is triangular or trihedral and the circular male part is spheroidal or conical.

19. (New) A bearing arrangement as claimed in claim 7 wherein the non-circular male part is trihedral.